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TWO CENTS.

Bishop Brent Repeats His Former Refusal.

WILL RETURN TO MANILA

Believes It His Duty to Remain in the Philippines.

REASSURED BY PHYSICIANS

Condition of His Health Will Allow Him to Stay in the Orient.

Letter to Dr. McKim.

Why Bishop Brent Declines,

"It is not that I fail to recognize the splendor of the missionary opportunity in Washington and the dignity of the heritage which you bid me enter-they inspire me; nor that I shrink from the tasks and problems of leadership which you invite me to face in company with you-they challenge me; nor that I do not oftentimes yearn to serve the church in the homeland again-I am human. But God charges me today -the morrow can take care of itself-to continue my witnes: to the high importance of the faroff missions of the church and the gravity of the nation's responsibility in the orient by abiding on the spot where I am." -Bishop C. H. BRENT.

Bishop Charles Henry Brent of the Philcome Bishop of Washington.

His decision is announced in a letter received in Washington today, written by the Philippine bishop in Boston. His reasons, he says, are the same which governed his declination of the first electionthat it is God's will that he remain 'in

Bishop Brent indicates that the only reason which made him hesitate about declining the second election was a fear that his health was being undermined by the Philippine climate, and a further stay in the islands threatened a serious physical breakdown. His physician in Boston has pronounced his present illness not chronic, he writes, and therefore he will return to his former work.

Letter to Dr. McKim.

The letter, which was written at St. Stephen's House, 2 Decatur street, Bosmittee of the diocese of Washington, is as follows:

"Dear Dr. McKim: As my dispatch of this date has already notified you, I am glad to find myself free to adhere to my original decision. The letter I wrote you from Manila after my re-election made clear that the matter hinged upon the verdict of my physicians. Today they assured me that the trouble which alarmed the physicians in Manila has proved itself acute, instead of chronic, and that I am justified in continuing my Judge Taft's laughing reply when grantwork in the Philippine Islands after a ing audience to a number of newspaper brief course of treatment.

"My former letter of declination expressed so fully all that it is in my heart to say that I can but reiterate its terms on this second occasion on which you have bestewed upon me the highest mark of confidence that could fall to human lot. I rejoice to return to the orient, because I am conscious that in serving the interests yonder I am best serving you.

"Praying that God will always bless the fully (Signed) "C. H. BRENT

"Bishop of the Philippine Islands."

This letter was sent to Dr. McKim at Blue Ridge Summit, where he is spending the summer, and Dr. McKim sent it to his assistant at the Church of the Epiphany, Rev. G. Freeland Peter. By him it was made public today.

Bishop Brent's Reasons. The former letter in which Bishop Brent

declined his first election to the bishopric of Washington gives the reasons for the declination. At its beginning Bishop Brent mentions his delay in sending a definite answer, and then continues: 'Moreover, my conviction that it is God's will for me to decline has become

so settled that it would be an injustice to you to withhold my answer any longer. Hence my cablegram of yesterday.

splendor of the missionary opportunity in Washington and the dignity of the is in excellent shape. It is his belief that heritage which you bid me enter-they Gov. Johnson will not be a candidate for inspire me; nor that I shrink from the re-election. In Wisconsin, Mr. McCleary tasks and problems of leadership which says, he can see the good effect of the you invite me to face in company with speech of acceptance already. The hand-you—they challenge me; nor that I do not ling by Judge Taft of the railroad quesoftentimes yearn to serve the church in tion, he says, has pleased the La Follette the home land again-I am human. But wing of the party in that state. God charges me today-the morrow can take care of itself-to continue my witness to the high importance of the faroff missions of the church and the gravmy of the nation's responsibility in the orient by abiding on the spot where I am.

Some day the soft Ideal that we wooed Confronts us fiercely, foe beset, pursued,
And cries, reproachful: "Was it then my praise
And not myself was loved? Prove new thy truth,
I claim of thee the promise of thy youth.
Give me thy life, or cower in empty phrase;

The victim of thy genius, not its mate. "In being loyal to Christ's inner leading here on the church's and the nation's frontier. I am serving you at the center in the most effective way possible, and I rejoice to feel that this is so, for I would double-knot the cord with which your

own hands have bound me to you. The Need of the Orient.

"It was due to the statesmanship and insight of your late noble-hearted bishop that this missionary district came into being, and he was, in large measure, responsible for my coming here. His afdesire to justify his confidence in me by glady making any sacrifice that God fering, or, if need be, death. The orient today is rapidly becoming the center of city or seat of government in the western world can fail to have it constantly in its thoughts and deliberations, no portion of the Christian Church can afford to neglect or discount its ceaseless appeal to the strong for help-help that America with her unparalleled wealth of manhood and means is abundantly able to give. sishop Brent was first elected Bishop watchman, lost his life in the fire

of Washington to succeed the late Bishop Henry Y. Satterlee by the diocesan convention May 6. In reply to a cable announcement of his election. Bishop Brent at first said: "As God bids, I will do. By cable June 5. Bishop Brent sent his declination: "Must decline. Would have gone, God bids me stay. John v:30." The following day Dr. R. H. McKim called a session of the diocesan convention for June 17 to elect a new bishop.

election. His declination of this second election was received today.

This second declination created much surprise among ministers and laymen who heard of it this morning. It was hoped that Bishop Brent would find his way clear to accept the local bishopric. and many clung to the news of Bishop Brent's illness as holding out a hope that he would accept if only to get out of the

The election of a bishop will again be the special business of a session of the diocesan convention to be held probably in October. At the close of the last one the general opinion was that if Bishop Brent again declined the convention should meet early in October. A meeting at an earlier date, it was pointed out, was practically impossible, because many of the delegates spend the summer outside of Washington. The date for this meeting will be fixed by the president of the convention, Dr. McKim. Reports from Boston say that Bishop Brent was operated on at St. Stephen's Mission House in the Hub Friday for an acute nasal trouble. Although much secrecy was maintained regarding the operation, it is understood, that it was not

THE VIRGINIA BAR.

ippine Islands has again declined to be- No Political Conferences Set for Today-Tells Newspaper Men

speech Thursday night.

lawyers on the splendid physical appearance of the candidate. "Yes," was his reply, "it is true, I was

ton, and addressed to Rev. Randolph H. this air down here, and then my exercise. McKim, president of the standing com- It really does not seem that there is No conferences were on the list today

over the four-mile golf course.

"How about the 400 students?" see, I weighed 200 then."

Conditions in the Northwest.

postmaster general and candidate for Congress, who has just returned from a camp and in turn passed it over to Arreview of the situation in Minnesota and thur J. Stobbart of St. Paul, Minn., major to begin at once near Fredericksburg for "It is not that I fail to recognize the Cleary assured Mr. Taft that in his opinion the republican situation in Minnesota ling by Judge Taft of the railroad ques- | Stobbart followed

Cubans Appreciative.

This cablegram from Gov. Magoon of

THREE KILLED BY A TRAIN. Victims Were Walking the Tracks of the New Haven Road.

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., August 3,-Three laboring men who were walking on the railroad tracks of the New York. stantly killed.

and did not know them. Life Lost in \$500,000 Fire. CHICAGO. August 3.-Fire due to spontaneous combustion destroyed the plant

The convention session was an exciting one, as many who had voted for Bishop Brent at first opposed his reelection. Those favoring his re-election argued that he had not received letters explaining the opportunity of the Washington diocese and that he made a hasty decision. On the fifth ballot Bishop Brent was again elected bishop and he was at once notified by cable of his re-

Much Surprise Created.

threatening Philippine climate.

GOES OVER MAIL, PLAYS GOLF

TAFT RECEIVES MEMBERS OF

of College Days.

HOT SPRINGS, Va., August 3.-Members of the Virginia Bar Association to the number of about thirty called on candidate Taft in his offices at the Homestead Hotel this morning, and introductions, handshaking and general exchange of felicitations were indulged in for some time. The association tomorrow begins its twentieth annual meeting. Judge Taft will address the gathering Thursday and has been asked to make a banquet

There was universal comment by the

never in better health in my life. It is much in a game of golf, but it requires just enough skill to divert the mind from the walking that is necessary, and in that way one gets real exercise without the

The early hours were as usual devoted by Mr. Taft to the handling of his correspondence, and then followed the trip

Talks About College Days.

"Just call me Mr. Taft, and if you drop into colloquialism call me Bill." This was men who had severally addressed him as "Mr. Secretary," "Governor," "Judge" and "Mr. Taft."

"I first got the name Bill at Yale," continued Judge Taft, replying to a question. "Before I went there I had been "Willie" in my home among my Cincinnati boyhood friends. But when I got through school I was called Will at home. My younger brother, Harry, however, never called me Willie after a happening one diocese of Washington with His fullest day at college. We roomed together on benediction, I remain, yours very faith- the top floor of Farnam Hall. Our room was just over the middle entrance. Harry was a freshman, I a junior. He had gone out and forgotten to take with him a book he wanted. He came back to the entrance and looking up on the outside yelled, 'Oh, Willie.' Well, in a second there was a head out of every one of the 400 windows, and it seemed as though every one yelled at once. At any rate, there was one long chorus of 'Oh, Willie. That cured Harry. He has called me 'Rill' ever since.

"They called me Bill just the same. You

James T. McCleary, second assistant Wisconsin, spent Sunday here. Mr. Mc-

terday: "Many thanks for your exceed- consin and others from Washington, Col- electric line from this city to Washington, by filling two little signal service balthe Cuban people are due for laying out the course. The suggestion which came from you that electoral administration be non-partisan in their majority, but with partisan representation thereon, finds ex- arriving during the morning hours. pression in the new electoral law and has contributed largely to its successful

DESTRUCTIVE CLOUDBURST.

New Haven and Hartford railroad at structive cloudburst visited that section board the imperial yacht Hohenzollern on fection for and trust in me, in which I Pratt's crossing, two miles east of here. yesterday in which one life was lost. a short visit to King Gustave. A fleet of glory, were deeper than words. It is my were struck by a local train from New Scores of live stock and cabins and a great Swedish warships met the imperial yacht periments and failures. Britain to Hartford this morning and in- quantity of logs were swept away. Miss at sea, and later the king and queen of A fourth man, Michael Fury of Worces. of John Tixley, foreman of the Verdi aboard the Swedish royal yacht. A state ter, Mass., was hurt, but not seriously. Mill and Lumber Company, was on the dinner in the emperor's honor will be on the way to Fort Myer, the Herring the world's gravest problems. No capital He says he was not with the other men porch of the lumber office, located in the given tonight.

rush of waters, but after battling desof the National Rendering Company near perately they finally saved themselves. Hence the cause which I represent, and I Lansing, Ill., today, causing a loss of James Burk and McM. Ross were severe-myself, must always be near you."

\$500,000. James J. McKeag, the night ly hurt. Much live stock and timber and a ranch were destroyed.

Three Organizations in Convention at Boston.

OVER 75,000 IN ATTENDANCE

Twenty-Fifth Assembly of the Supreme Lodge.

UNIFORM

Pythian Sisters Open Their Annual Meeting With an Exemplification of Work.

BOSTON, August 3 .- The twenty-fifth convention of the Supreme Lodge and the biennial encampment of the Uniform Rank of the Knights of Pythias, with the crop in central Illinois has begun to annual convention of the Pythian Sisters, "fire," owing to excessively high temperawere formally opened in Boston today with an attendance estimated at from 75,000 to 85,000 delegates and members. Union Congregational Church.

dedicated Camp Joseph H. Lyon at Franklin field today. Over 2.000 tents accommodate the 7,000 knights on this, Bosprogram was held.

Early in the afternoon the convention delegates gathered in King Solomon Temple to witness the exemplification of work NEW by King Solomon Temple of the Pythian Sisters of Boston.

immediately after the work the camp a: Franklin Field was dedicated. Representative D. Sidney Woodworth of Boston, president of the ways and means committee, formally turned the camp over to Charles A. Barnes of Jacksonville, Ill. the supreme chancellor, who accepted the Special Dispatch to The Star. general, commanding the uniform rank.

Flag Raised Over Tented City.

Tomorrow the supreme lodge will formally begin work in the convention hall at Hotel Somerset. Companies of the uniform rank were ar-

Over 5,000 of the 7,000 uniformed peake Bay line at Ashland and an electric placed in the hands of electoral boards. knights were in camp at midnight, and other companies from nearer home were The city is gaily decorated, the predominating colors being the blue, yellow and red of the Pythian order.

One Life Lost and Cabins and Live Stock Swept Away in Nevada.

RENO, Nev., August 3 .- A telephone message from Verdi, Nev., says a de-Etta Tixley, aged twenty-four, daughter Sweden welcomed the imperial party canyon, when the water, fully ten feet high, rushed against the building, carrying Miss Tixley with it. A cloudburst near Steamboat Springs yesterday caught several persons in the

CROP NEWS FROM THE NORTH-WEST STARTLES CHICAGO.

Bullish Setiment Causes a Skyward Trend of Prices Stories of Ill Effects From Heat.

CHICAGO, August 3.-Scorehing hot Dakotas and Minnesota threw the board of trade into wild excitement today, and sent the price of wheat and corn soaring skyward. The former grain advanced RANK BIENNIAL nearly 3 cents a bushel, and the latter

showed almost an equal sharp bulge in Bullish sentiment in wheat, which has been developing recently as the result of "black rust" reports from the northwest, broke out with intense vigor today upon the receipt of a dispatch from Minneapolis which claimed that the black rust is worse than in 1904, and that the crop is

simply burning up with the heat. The advance in corn was helped along by a dispatch which stated that the corn

Extreme bullishness marked trading at the opening, and initial quotations on wheat and corn showed wide fluctuations. The Pythians will hold business sessions prices ranging from a trifle below Saturand parades and enjoy trips about the day's closing figures to nearly 2 cents city for six days, closing next Sunday above. After a little reaction, owing to with a religious mass meeting, presided profit taking, prices again started upward, until the gain in wheat had almost over by the grand prelate of Massachu- reached 3 cents in the new crop monthssetts, the Rev. Allan A. Stockdale, at the the deliveries vitally affected by the crop scare. At one time the May option sold The most interesting feature of the at \$1.01%. December at the same time gathering proved to be the encampment touched 974, and September 94%. Corn of the Uniform Rank, which formally for May delivery mounted to 67%, and December to 65%, a gain of 21/4c in each case. September corn sold up to 76%.

Oats were bullishly affected by the sudton's most expansive playground, and den rise in the prices of wheat and corn, here the chief features of the first day's but the advance in that grain was less marked.

ELECTRIC ROAD

GOULD LINE TO CONNECT WITH

THIS CITY. RICHMOND, Va., August 3.-Work is

dam across the Rappanahannock river The work is to be under the direction of The flag of the camp was then raised W. C. Whitner, hydraulic engineer for the over the tented city and the encampment Virginia Passenger and Power Company, was formally under military orders. Ad- who is also president of the Fredericksdresses of welcome by Gov. Guild and burg Power Company. Both these com-

The Goulds last year succeeded in obtaining a repeal of the law prohibiting a paralleling of the Richmond, Fredericksriving until late last night, one company burg and Potomae railroad, and an- a little gas will be lost each day by the Cuba was received by Judge Taft yes- arriving from Texas, another from Wis- nounced their intention of building an big balloon. This is to be compensated ingly gratifying message. The thanks of orado and California. The company Application for a charter with this object dogs, which created great amusement in and a charter will be asked for a line to voirs. connect with the Richmond and Chesaline which comes from Washington into Virginia and which line is owned by the

> Power developed by the building of the new dam near Fredericksburg will be used to operate the cars on the new line. The dam will involve an exepnditure of 25 feet high and will be completed by Christmas. The power to be developed will reach about 12,000 horsepower.

Kaiser and Party at Stockholm.

STOCKHOLM, August 3 .- Emperor William and his party arrived here today on appreciable fraction of it.

Drowned Man's Body Recovered. CHICAGO, August 3.-The body of a man, believed from letters found in the Curtiss, the eronaut and engine builder pockets of his coat to be George T. Hurley of Buffalo N. Y., was recovered from

GRAIN BROKERS ARE WILD FLIGHT MAY BE TODAY

Is Shipshape.

Baldwin Will Go Up if Balloon

MANY THINGS TO BE DONE

weather throughout the corn belt and the Engine Is Tested and Works Like a Charm.

AEROPLANES ARE COMING SOON

Wright Brothers' Machine Will Arrive This Week and Herring's Flyer on August 13.

Maybe Capt. Baldwin's dirigible balloon will fly this afternoon between 4 and 6. Maybe it won't

It all depends on how long it will take to do certain things. The big gray silk bag now nods toward the roof of the balloon house at Fort Myer. Framework and motor are in place mass in New York, to which institution underneath. There are not more than 3.017 things to be done now before the big ship is ready to get out and breast the breeze. It is merely a question of whether their accomplishment can be crowded into the time between now and sunset. The motor was tried out by Glenn Cur-

tiss, its builder, yesterday. It ran beautifully, with about as much noise as a machine gun battery. There is sure some pull to the propeller. Two husky Signal Corps men had hold of the frame, which was resting across two boxes, when the motor started. The frame started to walk out of the door and

take the men with it. The power was

shut off in time to save two promising enisted men to the service Tying Up Ends.

This morning was partially spent in tying the thousand spidery cords of the network to the balloon frame. Then weights had to be adjusted, the rudder shipped, the side planes set and other things. Then it was safe to take the ship out of

This was almost an ideal day for a flight. The gentle breeze was steady and did not amount to much in strength. Capt. Baldwin was anxious to make a trial flight. He would have liked to make one yesterday, in fact, as it was the fourth anniversary of the initial flight of the California Arrow, the first dirigible flown in

The big silk bag is not yet drum tight. platform can distend this whenever required, so as to take up any slack in the envelope. Also when the balloon gets out loons that will be carried over to the

Cheap Hydrogen Plant. The dirigible test may furnish the War corps.'

Department with a hydrogen-making plant at a great saving to the government. The signal service has figured for some time past on establishing at least one hydrogen-making plant, probably at congratulations and gratification over the when they came down to Fernie. By that \$50,000, will be of concrete, 800 feet long, Omaha. The cost was about \$50,000, almost prohibitive. Then along came Capt. Baldwin with

his own plant. Perhaps not nickel plated and rounded off on the corners to the plants, it delivered the goods, or rather patches received by the government from order to save the machine shops from fire. It is a simple little plant, but the outcome of many years of experience, ex-

rights for government use.
With the Wright brothers' flying machine aeroplane due in ten days, and the Baldwin dirigible ready to fly, the army air-ship tests have reached a point of added mportance and expectancy.

today thoroughly tested the motor and propeller which will send the new military the lake at the foot of Oak street today.
The man was drowned while swimming letter from Orville Wright stating that his aeroplane will reach Fort Myer this the Philippines.

week. This announcment added greatly to the interest centering in the tests.

It is understood that A. M. Herring, whose aeroplane is to be delivered at Fo.t Myer on August 13, is working night and day at his shop in New York in order to complete his machine in time

for prompt delivery.

Three Air Crafts Together. It is now most probable that the three aerial crafts for which the government has contracted will be at Fort Myer at the same time. Each airship has many new features, little, in fact, being known HUNDRED AND FIFTY DEAD

about the two aeroplanes.
Orville Wright will fly his machine at Fort Myer in the government trials at approximately the same time that his Hosmer and Sparwood Fighting for brother Wilbur Wright will fly in the aeroplane which the Wright brothers have had in France for the past year.

The machine which is coming to Fort
Myer was built by the Wright brothers
in Dayton, Ohio.

A. M. Herring, the other government

aeroplane contractor, has worked on the aerial navigation problem for many years. It is said he made a flight at St. Joseph, Mich., in November, 1898, in a machine which had many of the principles to be found in the Wright brothers' aeroplane, though on a larger scale.

Sounder Sails High.

READVILLE, Mass., August 3.-The Hill observatory has received from Silvernails, N. Y., "The Sounder" balloon which was sent up from Pittsfield, Mass., by H. H. Clayton Tuesday last. While the records, which were received intact, have not been worked out in detail, it was stated today that the Sounder reached a height of six miles and experienced a temperature of more than 30 degrees below zero. The Sounder's height was the greatest so far reached by those balloons in New England, although in similar experiments at St. Louis last year a sounder reached the height of ten miles. The sounders are small balloons, weighing only a few ounces and carrying an aluminum box containing various meteorological instruments for recording the temperature and wind velocity of the upper air and the altitude attained.

PRESENTS THE PONTIFF WITH A NOTABLE OFFERING.

Largest Peter's Pence Contribution Ever Presented by an Ameri-

can Diocese.

ROME, August 3 .- Archbishop Farley of New York visited the Vatican today and was received by Pope Plus with marked distinction. The archbishop presented the jubilee greeting and the offering of the New York archdiocese and gave a satisfactory report of conditions there. The people thanked the archbishop for the offering of Peter's pence and sent the apostolic benediction to the clergy and laity of New York. Archbishop Farley then introduced his suite, comprising the secre-

tary, the Rev. James V. Lewis, and the assistant secretary. The Peter's pence offering brought by Archbishop Farley was the largest ever presented by any American diocese. The pope knew all about the celebration

of the New York diocese last April and "It is marvelous what you Americans can do. You make miracles. Indeed the centennial was a most remarkable religious event. That is the result of a Fernie. Within fifteen minutes of the church breathing free air and enjoying time the fire broke into the city the place real liberty and not being restricted with-

in the bounds of certain concordats." Pope Sighs Over Bygone Days. During the conversation the pope recalled Monsignor Farley's visit to him at Venice in 1302, remarking: "It is quite dif-

ferent now from that day. Then I was Here the pope sighed as if from grief Archbishop Farley, however, found the pope in splendid health and cheerful. In-deed, speaking with regard to a cardinal who has not yet come to see him since the conclave, the pope said jokingly: "It is very unkind of him. He put me in prison

ere and never came again.' Monsignor Farley also presented Father 3. Evers, the founder of the printers' he pontiff gave his special blessing. Afterward the archbishop visited Cardinal Merry del Val, the papal secretary burning bridges. The fire spread with of state, with whom he had a long conversation regarding the conditions of the hurch in America. The archbishop left Rome today for Frascati by automobile, and tomorrow will go to Castle Gandolfo

comprising about 200 Americans, who left New York July 16. NOTABLE ENGAGEMENT.

on Lake Albano. Returning to Rome

Thursday, Archbishop Farley will present

o the pope the J. J. McGrane pilgrimage.

Son of Lieut. Gen. Chaffee Will Wed

Atlanta Girl. ATLANTA, Ga., August'3 .- The engagenent was announced here today of Miss Ethel Huff to Lieut. Adna R. Chaffee, jr. 15th Cavalry, and son of Lleut. Gen. Chaffee, retired. The marriage will take place late this fall.

SULTAN IS PLEASED.

Recipient of Evidence of Loyalty From His Troopers.

CONSTANTINOPLE, August 3 .- A depstation of three hundred men and a few officers of the second army corps aras it will be during flight. The balloonet rived here today from Adrianople to asloyalty of the troops. Omer Ruchdi relatives, wrapping her in wet blankets, Pasha, the minister of war, and Shekir fled toward the hills. She was borned to in the hot sun the hydrogen will expand Pasha, chief of staff, met the soldiers, and will fill it to safety limit. Of course, and, headed by a band, the column marched to the Yildiz palace. After the sol- burned. The Wood-McNab people were diers had assembled in front of the palace the sultan appeared at a window and from Ohio brought along a pack of prairie in view was made, but it was withdrawn, cavalry drill grounds and used as reser- said: "I am very pleased to have seen you all. I salute the soldiers, my children, and I order you to convey these salutations to your comrades in the army the bodies of Frank Beaver and Hilch-

> Ambassador Leishman at Constantinople has been directed by the State Department by cable to communicate to other could not be found. the Turkish government the President's A painful surprise awaited the rescuers action of the sultan is proclaiming a con-time the place was burned and the trains stitution.

Castro Makes an Exception. THE HAGUE, August 3 .- Official dis- posely dynamited Sunday afternoon in the gas, and did not cost \$50,000 or any the governor of the island of Curacao. confirming the withdrawal by President Castro of the exequaturs of the Dutch tion was made in the case of N. F. Hell- special car was attached to today's train with it that they are negotiating for the rights for government use. mund, the consul general at Caracas since over the Spokane International failroad for Fernie to aid the thousands made described by the consultance of the spokane international failroad for Fernie to aid the thousands made described by the consultance of the spokane international failroad for the spokane international failroad failroad for the spokane international failroad for the spokane international failroad f

Noted Civil War Character Dead. DES MOINES, Iowa, August 3.-Mai. R. D. Keilogg, who offered in the Iowa leg- headed by Acting Mayor J. I. Phillips and islature the famous resolution pledging President F. E. Gooodell of the chamber Capt. Baldwin, assisted by Glenn H. lowa's faith, credit and resources in men of commerce. and money to the maintenance of the national honor in the civil war, died last night. One of his children, Mrs. William dozen eggs, besides other goods and bedding, clothing, and 140 tents.

Weather.

Fair tonight and Tuesday.

Light variable winds, becom-

ing southerly.

Bush Fires Rage in Elk River District, British Columbia.

Existence; Michel Spared.

THOUSANDS MADE HOMELESS

Five Million Dollars in Property Consumed in Fernie-Fugitive Families Separated.

Saturday

Life and Property Lost in Terrible Bush Fires. FERNIE, B. C., August 3 .- Following is a summary of the loss of life and property in the fire which has raged in East Kootenay since

Number of people killed, 170. Number of people homeless, 6,000, District swept by fire, from near Granbrook to within four miles of Frank, Alberta, a distance of fifty

Towns destroyed, Fernie, Coal Creek, Hosmer; partially destroyed, Michel.

Total property loss estimated at \$4.500,000. Property loss in Fernie, \$2,000,000. The origin was a bush fire in "slashings" of the Cedar Valley Lumber Company across the river

Practically every insurance company in Canada is interested, but no details are available today. WINNIPTG, Manitoba, August 3.-The

latest estimate of the dead in the Elk River district by bush fires which have

been raging from Michel to Fernie is 150 The property loss is \$5,000,000 in Fernie. Six thousand inhabitants of that city are homeless. The residents have been taken

in trains to places of safety and are now destitute. Thousands of dollars have been sent by western Canadian cities this morning to the relief of the destitute. Medical

supplies are greatly needed. Fernie, with its lumber mills and railway terminals, is wiped out. The fire is still raging around Hosmer and Sparwood. Michel is safe, the wind having dropped last midnight. If a gale springs up that city will be again in danger scon.

Seventy men in the camps of the Elk River Company perished. Ten cottages, two coal offices, the Western Canada Grocery, the coal company's new warehouse are all that remains of time the fire broke into the city the place

was a mass of swirling flames. Catastrophe at Fernie.

A special from Fernie says: "As early as 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon the Fort Steel brewery, the first large building to catch fire, was burned. Houses in the immediate neighborhood soon caught.

fire. Old Town, where most of the miners resided, soon burned and then the business portion caught. The larger residential portion came last, after the fine mills of the Elk River Lumber Company had been destroyed The West Fernie bridges across Elk river could not be saved. Several people

"Though the people turned out imme-

diately to fight the fire, the flames spread

rapidly and the whole place was soon on

such rapidity that hardly anything was saved. Numbers of people fled to the river banks and sought safety by wading in the water. Others ran to the Canadian Pacific tracks, where special trains were waiting to convey the people to Michel.

lost their lives trying to escape over the

This trip could not be made because the bridge, it was learned, between Hosmer and Michel had burned out.

Heartrending Occurrences. During the night the coal company's office was used as a distributing point for food. Saturday night was a frightful one of excitement. Many heartrending scenes were witnessed. It was spent in getting many of the women and children on the train and starting them for Cranbrook. During the night the wind went down. Sunday morning many men and their stout-hearted wives came in from the

hills, to which they had fled, to view the

smoking remains or their city. Many

harrowing tales were told. One woman of West Fernie had just emerged from her home, which was on fire. She dropped dead of heart disease. Neighbors buried her in her garden and then ran for their lives.

In another part of the city an aged woman, an invalid, was carried a short sure the sultan of their love and of the She begged to be left to her fate, and her death

Besides the Elk mill, the Fernie and Cedar Valley Company's places were successful in fighting the flames.

Seeking for Dead. Many miners of Fernie were up at Coal creek Saturday afternoon searching for mough, who had been killed in the accident of last Friday morning. Beaver's

body was brought to the surface, but the

unable to move eastward. A special from Michel says no one was injured at Hosmer when the magazine blew up. Several buildings were pur-

Spokane Sends Help. SPOKANE, Wash., August 3.-Loaded with provisions, clothing and bedding, &

titute by fire in the district. The work of securing and collecting a carload of supplies was completed in five hours by an impromptu relief committee

The car contained 1,500 loaves of bread. 50 barrels of flour, 1,000 tons of meats, 300 Families Separated.

SPOKANE, Wash., August 3 .- A dis-